WASHINGTON, DC- Today, Congressman Jim Costa (D-Fresno) announced that a total of \$1,468,346 has been awarded to the Kings County Area Public Transit Agency for three 35 foot buses and ITS equipment. Funding was released through the US Department of Transportation made available in the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act.

"This is great news for Kings County," said Costa. "Investments in public transportation is a wise use of federal dollars, especially in fast growing rural areas. I am confident these new buses will help many residents in Kings County get around town or around the county with greater ease."

The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) included \$8.4 billion for transit capital improvements. This law implements the transit formula program related provisions of the ARRA and provides program and grant application requirements for these funds, to be made available through Federal Transit Administration (FTA) assistance programs.